

St. Luke's Lutheran Church
Friendship Requirements Week One: Support

April 14, 2024

10:00 AM

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME by Jubilee (Invite people to download bulletin from the website – stlukesbloomington.org)

+OPENING SONG

“Come, Now is the Time to Worship”

B. Doerkson/M. Cole

Chorus

Come now is the time to worship
Come now is the time
to give your heart

One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains
For those who gladly choose You now

Come just as you are to worship
Come just as you are
before your God Come

Chorus

Verse

Verse

One day every tongue
Will confess You are God

Chorus

Ending

Come Come Come

+PRAYER OF THE DAY {*Front Center*} (Angela Hansen)

L: Holy Lord, your followers gave to your children something more powerful and more valuable than riches. They gave healing and hope. Bring healing and hope into our world and show us evidence of your presence in our lives.

C: Amen.

+SHARING OF THE PEACE {*Front Center*} (Angela Hansen)

L: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: And also with you.

L: For all who are gathered, let us take a moment to welcome those around you with a greeting. For those of you online, please share a word of peace in the comment or chat. Most all as we go out into the world may we greet others as people of peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS {*Front Center*}

COUNCIL INTRODUCTION

Jane Nechville, Community Life

WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Baptized: Angelica Lyn Strom

Parents: Allen and Jennifer Strom

Sponsors: Amy Lyn Strom and Dustin and Karly Jacobson

+THE APOSTLES' CREED

L: Do you believe in God, the Father?

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

L: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

L: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

BAPTISMAL WELCOME

C: We welcome Angelica Lyn Strom into the body of Christ. Amen!

(music played while child walks down the aisle)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE *{On Floor Pulpit Side}* (Emily)

FIRST READING *{Lectern}* (Nikki Ness)

Exodus 18:13-27

The next day Moses sat as judge for the people, while the people stood around him from morning until evening. When Moses' father-in-law (Jethro) saw all that he was doing for the people, he said, 'What is this that you are doing for the people? Why do you sit alone, while all the people stand around you from morning until evening?' Moses said to his father-in-law, 'Because the people come to me to inquire of God. When they have a dispute, they come to me and I decide between one person and another, and I make known to them the statutes and instructions of God.' Moses' father-in-law said to him, 'What you are doing is not good. You will surely wear yourself out, both you and these people with you. For the task is too heavy for you; you cannot do it alone. Now listen to me. I will give you counsel, and God be with you! You should represent the people before God, and you should bring their cases before God; teach them the statutes and instructions and make known to them the way they are to go and the things they are to do. You should also look for able men among all the people, men who fear God, are trustworthy, and hate dishonest gain; set such men over them as officers over thousands, hundreds, fifties and tens. Let them sit as judges for the people at all times; let them bring every important case to you, but decide every minor case themselves. So it will be easier for you, and they will bear the burden with you. If you do this, and God so commands you, then you will be able to endure, and all these people will go to their home in peace.' So Moses listened to his father-in-law and did all that he had said. Moses chose able men from all Israel and appointed them as heads over the people, as officers over thousands, hundreds, fifties, and tens. And they judged the people at all times; hard cases they brought to Moses, but any minor case they decided themselves. Then Moses let his father-in-law depart, and he went off to his own country.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

+THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 15:12-17

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

MESSAGE

Rob Norris-Weber, Pastor

+SONG OF THE DAY

"Glorious"

Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves/ Charlie Sinclair

Verse 1

We lift our hands in praise to You

Lift our hearts in worship to

You Lord

We lift our voice to You and sing

Our greatest love will ever be

You Lord

You Lord

Chorus

Glorious

over us

You shall reign glorious

Verse 2

There is a King that we adore

With humble hearts we bow before

You Lord

There is a place we long to be

Yes face to face we long to see

You Lord

You Lord

Chorus

Chorus

Bridge

Majesty and power

Are Yours alone forever

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Are Yours alone forever

Chorus (3 times)

+THE PRAYERS {*Front Center*} (*Angela Hansen*)

Screen

After each petition:

L: Hear us, Oh God.

C: Your mercy is great.

+THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Angela Hansen*)

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your Kingdom come: your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the Kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

TIME OF REFLECTION AND RESPONSE {*Center*} (*Angela Hansen*)

L: Please be seated. In this time of reflection and response you are invited to fill out your welcome card. Share any reflections, questions, or prayers on the back. Also, take this time to prepare your offering. For those gathered the collection plates are in the front and back, and there is a QR code in the bulletin to give electronically. For those on-line please go to our website stlukesbloomington.org there is a link to give at the bottom of every page. Enjoy this time.

MUSIC

“Now Behold the Lamb”
Jubilee Praise Team

Kirk Franklin

SENDING

+BENEDICTION {*Front Center*} (*Rob*)

L: May the eternal light of God guide you in the way of the peace, through the power of Holy Spirit now and forevermore.

C: Amen.

+SENDING SONG

“Indescribable”

Laura Story/Dan Galbraith

Verse 1

From the highest of heights
to the depths of the sea
Creation revealing Your majesty

From the colors of Fall
to the fragrance of Spring

Ev'ry creature unique
in the song that it sings
All exclaiming

Chorus 1

Indescribable uncontainable
You placed the stars in the sky
And You know them by name
You are amazing God

All powerful untamable
Awestruck we fall to our knees
As we humbly proclaim
You are amazing God

Verse 2

Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt
where it should go

Or seen heavenly storehouses
laden with snow

Who imagined the sun
and gives source to its light
Yet conceals it to bring us
the coolness of night
None can fathom

Chorus 1

Interlude

You are amazing God

Chorus 1

Chorus 2

Indescribable uncontainable
You placed the stars in the sky
And You know them by name
You are amazing God

Incomparable unchangeable
You see the depths of my heart
And You love me the same
You are amazing God

+DISMISSAL (*Rob*)

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

REPRISE